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UKRAINE

Partnering with:

- Kiev Christian Academy
- Community Ministries Intl.
- Inter-church Ministry to People
- Antioch Movement of Ukraine
- Kiev International Bible Church



MAY YOU HAVE A BLESSED EASTER!

The miracle of Jesus' resurrection is the greatest affirmation that God works in the hearts and lives of His people...

Kiev International Bible Church KIBC

The 3 men in the picture to the right are all believers who attend KIBC, but are now planting their own church in their national language. They recently visited the city of Poltava to encourage Christians there and share the gospel with others from their country.

I am not sharing the details of their names, nationality, or language, because they literally risk their lives to share the gospel with their countrymen. Their government is executing Christians who will not denounce their faith, especially those who evangelize others.

The congregation of KIBC was thrilled to hear of their mission trip and how God is blessing the sharing of the gospel.

Reaching the lost...

The leaders of KIBC have intensely wanted to bring a focus to the church of reaching out to those around us. To that end, we have begun working with a small group of people from the church who are serious about the lost as well. God has opened the door for us to begin some new ministries: One is to hold seminars for parents of children at a kindergarten next to the apartment building where Kay & I live. Through the seminar, parents can teach their children to successfully recognize and deal with their emotions and feelings, in order not to turn to alcohol, drugs, etc. We will be leading a "test" seminar for the director and staff of the school next week. If the director is favorably



The **Farsi** group leaders reporting to KIBC about their mission trip to Poltava (the faces are intentionally blurred.)

impressed, she will allow us to lead the seminar at the school for parents who live in our vicinity. We are also organizing a seminar at the building where KIBC meets that will include other churches meeting there.

As follow-up to these seminars, we are also beginning English classes, Alpha Course classes for new believers, and planning a "Family Day in the Park", with BBQ and games. We are also considering how to start new small groups, both in English and Russian.

All these ministries are in the embryo stage, and we covet your prayers for them.

Krasnocilo

Kay & I were thrilled this past week when we were able to visit Pavel & Natasha Tarasenko in Krasnocilo. They are church planters we have been supporting with encouragement, special projects, and financially. They have a wonderful group of adults meeting at their house on Sunday afternoons and a wonderful children's ministry after school on Fridays. We were able to fellowship with the adult group, but we don't know who was more encouraged, us or them!

If you would like to see a few pictures of this group and our trip, please go to the following photo gallery:

<http://gallery.me.com/sdouglasclark#100040>

...and we pray that as you celebrate Easter this year, you will also be encouraged by seeing God at work in the hearts and lives of His people through the ministry you pray for and support financially.

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Fellowship with the group at Pavel & Natasha's house.

IMP/CMI Partnership...

(Inter-church Ministry to People, the Ukrainian part of the partnership and Community Ministries International, the US part of the partnership)

Praise God, there have been 2 projects submitted by churches in Nikolaiv oblast and approved by CMI! One is in the village of Velika Michetnya, where they will distribute food, medicine, and clothes to mostly elderly residents of the village. The second is in Darashovka, where the church will purchase books for the school library, which hasn't had new books since Soviet times.

We are excited about these projects and hope that they will be an encouragement to other churches in Nikolaiv to submit projects, as well as giving these churches an opportunity to reach people in the villages where they are.

PRAYER

Praises:

- New group of believers and non-believers in Krasnocilo
- Mission trip to Poltava by a group from KIBC
- Ministry projects approved for churches in Nikolaiv Oblast

Requests:

- New ministries to reach to lost at KIBC
- The needs of the group in Krasnocilo
- Projects in Velika Michetnya & Darashovka
- Kay & her students as they finish up the school year.
- Please pray for our financial support which has been affected by the financial crisis

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